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The big move is over!

Librarian Betty Croft is assisted by Michelle Conaway in placing books on the shelves in the new library. The move took place over Spring Break. [Missourian Photo/Curt Floerchinger]

Rehabilitation encourages employability

Vocational Rehabilitation is a public service designed to help physically and/or mentally disabled persons from the standpoint of employability.

Those eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation services must meet one of the following criteria: 1) a person must have a physical or mental disability; 2) that disability must be a handicap to employment; and 3) there must be a reasonable chance that he or she can be helped in terms of employability if appropriate services are provided.

"There are many individuals which may be eligible for the Vocational Rehabilitation services, but do not know it. If you feel you may be eligible, just stop in to the Counseling Center," said Robert D. Smith, counselor.

A wide range of services is available through Vocational Rehabilitation, depending upon the needs of the person being served. Some of these include medical examination to determine the extent of

disability, evaluation to determine the kind of work for which the person is best suited, guidance in choosing suitable employment, individual counseling, medical, surgical, psychiatric and hospital care to remove or reduce disabling conditions so that the person can go to work.

Other services include vocational training to prepare the individual for employment, including the provision of tuition and fees, books and supplies for education or training at the university level, colleges, commercial and trade schools or on the job; and job placement equipment, including job related tools and licenses, for persons ready to go to work.

The Vocational Rehabilitation program is offered to both men and women with no set age limit. Some services provided through the program are paid for entirely with public funds, while some are paid for with public funds only to the extent that the disabled individual is unable to pay for them with his own funds or

with other financial resources available to him.

"I want people to know that this service is available to them and that I am here to help," Smith said.

An average case load would be 150-200 individuals with about 50-90 individuals consisting of Northwest students, Smith said.

Smith is available at the Counseling Center on Tuesday morning and Friday evening, extension 1220, or at Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, St. Joseph, 279-2556.

Remodeling proceeds on Wells Hall

The original \$447,000 allocated for the remodeling of Wells Library to house the division of communication was not nearly enough for construction to begin, said Steve Easton, director of technical services. The money was funded by the Emergency Energy Act after the Administration Building burned.

"There is a big problem with the heating and air conditioning system in Wells Library. It seems the basement floods due to the aged equipment now present in the building," said Easton.

After several adjustments in funding, the second issue of bond money going towards total reconstruction of the building's interior is \$1,986,699.

"The building will be redone to accommodate the needs of the communications division, so the full amount will be used," Easton said.

Some of the changes planned will be a new heating and air conditioning system, a new roof, electrical system, general repairs to the outside brick work and a total conversion of interior floors.

Regents finalize reorganization

The NWMSU Board of Regents approved the plan for reorganization of the school's academic structure, as proposed by University President B.D. Owens, at their March 16 meeting.

"The final plan I'm recommending is that we move toward a six school/college structure," Owens said.

These six would include: a college of fine arts and humanities which will contain the departments of art, music, theater and history/humanities; a school of business and government which will combine the finance marketing, accounting, office administration, economics, management and government departments; a college of education which includes the departments of health, physical education, recreation and dance, and psychology/sociology; a college of science, math and computer science, which will contain the chemistry/physics, biology, geology/geography, computer science, mathematics and nursing departments; the previously approved college of agriculture and applied science which holds the departments of agriculture, home economics, military science and industrial arts; and a school of communications which combines the speech, English and mass communications departments.

He also said that where more than one division head was involved, an overall head will have to be picked.

Regents member Robert Cowherd then said, "I would like to make the resolution that we direct the president to move ahead in the area of a general studies college."

Owens said the general studies program would result in an orientation course for students to learn about their area of study. This would also help students understand the relationship between disciplines.

The board also approved a \$2 lab fee for biology classes effective in the fall of 1983. This will be used to replace expendable materials without using funds from operations budget.

Other items approved by the board included charging non-resident graduate students resident rates when they take one to six hours; the continuation for another year of the emergency leave bank for school employees; and several retirements and resignations.

Those personnel resigning include: Margaret Adams, instructor of math and computer science, effective May 7; Samuel Carson, professor of business management, effective May 7; and Jill Harrington, director of Campus Safety, effective March 15.

The Regents also thanked members Welton Ideker and Dr. Harold Poynter for their service on the board. Poynter said, "I personally feel that the Governor has made a good selection in the new board members. I believe I see so many good things going on over here on campus. I would like to leave you with one thought—I would plead for unity. I think this is what we need most at this time in this area—to remember we're all one big family."

The meeting ended with Tom Throne of the Daily Forum asking why the issue of releasing a copy of President Owens' contract was going to be discussed in the closed session of the meeting. Throne said the decision violated Missouri's open meeting rulings and told the Board of Regents that they would be contacted by the Forum's lawyers.

The Board of Regents also decided to award the contract for the school's audit to Deloitte, Haskins and Sells of Kansas City. Although the firm place the second lowest bid, the firm of Touche Ross & Company was not recommended by Warren Gose, vice-president of financial affairs for Northwest.

Gose said Deloitte, Haskins and Sells would provide more experienced people to handle the school's account. He said the same people who will work for Northwest have previously handled accounts for the University of Missouri and Central Missouri State University.

Agriculture week set for Monday

National Agriculture week has been set for March 18-24 with March 21 designated as National Agriculture Day. John Block, secretary of agriculture, is the honorary chairman for the third consecutive year.

Ag Day has been celebrated since 1973. The main purpose of this day is to promote the entire food chain operation.

Although the main theme of agriculture is "America's heartbeat," this year's emphasis will be placed on people's involvement in ag.

Ag Day is coordinated by the Agriculture Council of America Education Foundation which is

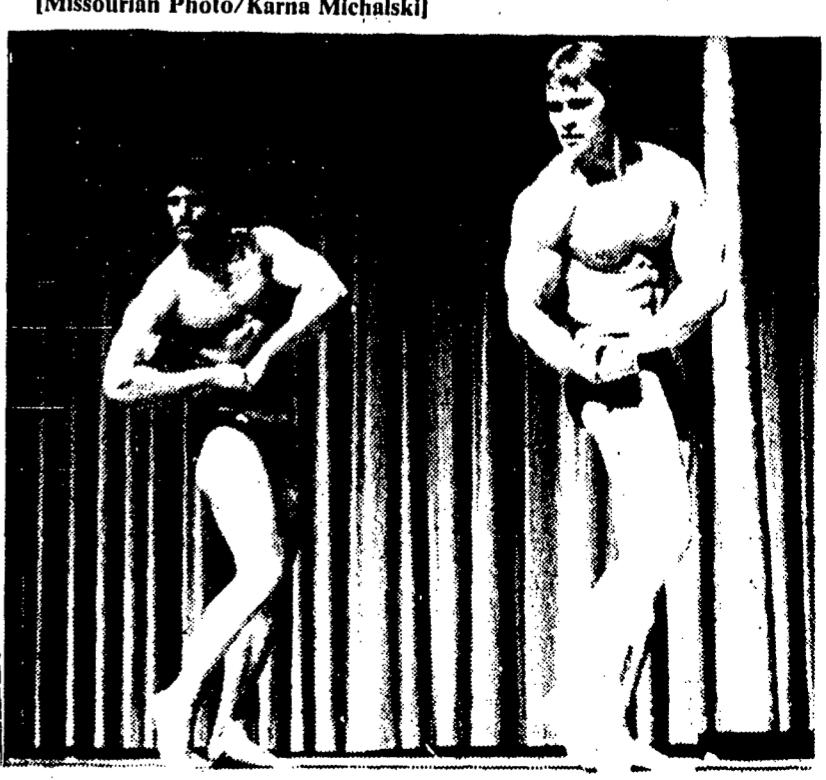
voluntarily supported by more than 2,500 producers, ranchers, farmers and business members.

Expanding participation in Ag Day, ACA invited representatives of ag organizations, agribusinesses and interested government agencies to serve on a new National Agriculture Day steering committee. Bob Green, general manager for marketing of the agriculture equipment division of the J I Case Company, agreed to serve as chairman for the 49-member committee. The committee is planning a Washington, D.C., Ag Day event.

National Ag Day's success depends on local involvement.

What a title!!!

The title of Mr. Northwest was awarded to Todd Murphy (left) on March 2. Eddie Coleman (right) was the runner up in the competition. [Missourian Photo/Karna Michalski]



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Spring concert set

Huey Lewis and the News will headline the April 14 spring concert, said Student Union Board President Phil Klassen.

Tickets will be \$1 for students who have paid the \$5 concert fee, and everyone else will pay \$7. Tickets go on sale April 11 at the information booth from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Klassen said SUB gave a list to New West agents of Kansas City of groups they would like to have on campus, and New West responded with a list of groups that were available.

He said the cost of putting on a concert is paid for mostly from the \$5 concert fee, with ticket sales forming a smaller percentage of the money needed.

Such costs include anything from food for the band, a stage crew or hiring city police for the evening. He added that student security does not get paid.

"The cost varies from show to show according to what a group provides," Klassen said. "But I don't believe there will be an increase in next year's concert fee," he added.

"Money is a restraint, but Lamkin Gym is the main problem in getting bigger acts," Klassen said. "It just doesn't have adequate facilities for some bands."

He said that while Lamkin's stage is 72 feet wide, some acts need 85 foot stages and a 45 foot ceiling clearance instead of 30 feet like Lamkin Gym has.

Klassen added, "A lot of big name bands will not come to small places."

Campus Briefs

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Advisement sheets still available March 22-23

The registrar's office has set up two additional days to issue advisement sheets to those who have not yet picked them up. Pre-registration materials can be obtained on March 22 and 23 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Student teachers to meet

A meeting for summer/fall semester student teachers will be held in the Horace Mann auditorium on Monday, March 21, at 7 p.m. All students wishing to student teach during those terms should attend the meeting.

Kruckeberg conducts class

Dean Kruckeberg, assistant professor of mass communication, will conduct a refresher session in Kansas City March 19 for Public Relations Society of America members seeking to pass the accreditation examination. Kruckeberg is one of only a few thousand people nationwide to be fully accredited by the Public Relations Society of America.

He is the academic adviser of the Northwest chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America.

Kruckeberg also attended the awards banquet of the Utah Headliners Chapter of SDX/SPJ journalism society in Salt Lake City, Utah, March 11.

Spring tutoring programs are now in progress

The Northwest tutoring program is underway for the spring semester and is supervised by Dr. Peter Jackson, associate dean of faculties, and Martha Cooper, head of student academic support service.

"Our primary goal is to help students in academic retention," Jackson said.

Forms for tutors are found throughout the university on bulletin boards with phone numbers available to set up an appointment with a tutor, Jackson said.

"We usually only tutor general studies classes because of our limited number of tutors," Jackson said. "We also provide help with basic study skills that the student can use in all of the classes."

Graduate students with a strong background in a certain area provide the service as tutors.

"Our tutors attend a seminar on what to expect and hold meetings throughout the semester to find out how they are doing," Jackson said. "The program is four years old and has developed into a very successful one."

"Tutoring is very helpful because it is a review of my past courses and in turn helps in my graduate classes," said Ken DeBaene, tutor.

Although tutors are available all semester, they are used more at certain times in the semester.

"Our busiest time is just before and after mid-terms and around finals, but we are willing to help all semester," Jackson said.

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Opinions on this page do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the University administration or other personnel.

Letters to the editor must be signed and must not exceed 300 words. The Missourian reserves the right to edit all letters. Letters must be in by Monday to assure space in that week's paper.

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Campus Safety is praised

To the editor

The Campus Safety Department is always between a rock and a hard place. Their job is disagreeable, at best, to most of the population of this university. They are trained conscientious people trying to achieve the following goal: Protection of all persons associated with the University, their property and University property. After this comes traffic control.

The negative criticism that borders on abuse usually stems from ignorance of the profession and the people involved in the profession.

The Campus Safety Department is trying to function under a few tremendous handicaps. They are: lack of people; they are at least five people short; lack of equipment; public opinion; and most of all, ignorance on the part of the general public.

The Campus Safety Department today is a far cry from what it was ten years ago. The same general requirements that apply to police officers apply to Campus Safety officers also.

They are no longer just "door shakers." In the four years I have been associated with Campus Safety, we have never carried firearms, but who knows what the next ten years will bring? If or when this happens, every person associated with the department has been and will be trained to handle the situation.

Lt. Basil Owens alone has at least 13 years of police experience behind him from various police departments. If you add together the experience and general concern the officers have for what goes on with the University, I'm sure the students, faculty and staff would be impressed.

The people involved with this University must never lose sight of the fact that we are working toward the same goal, which is to make NWMSU the best place possible to get an education, live and work. To make this happen, it requires the combined efforts of students, faculty and staff.

We all know that no one functions their best when all they hear or see is negative criticism. There is a definite difference between constructive criticism and negative criticism. A thank you would be nice also.

P.S. For general information and Stu O.:



Order please!

Colette Robbins and Carrie Pickrel work the counter in the Deli located in the Spanish Den. [Missourian Photo/Marnita Hein]

The Grounds Department removes snow and has done a very good job. It is a University policy that University vehicles are not to be used to jump start personal vehicles.

Jill Harrington

Broadcaster defends station

Dear Furious At Format

I'm a broadcasting student and I'd like to remind you that KDLX is run by the students, for the students, as a broadcasting laboratory to stimulate actual working conditions. Under "actual" conditions every station sets down some form of music format. If an announcer strays from it he's fired--no questions, no explanations--just goodbye!

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Let's face it, if you're serious about having the format changed a letter to the newspaper editor is nice, but don't you think a letter to the radio station manager would be more appropriate?

R.J. Lundgren



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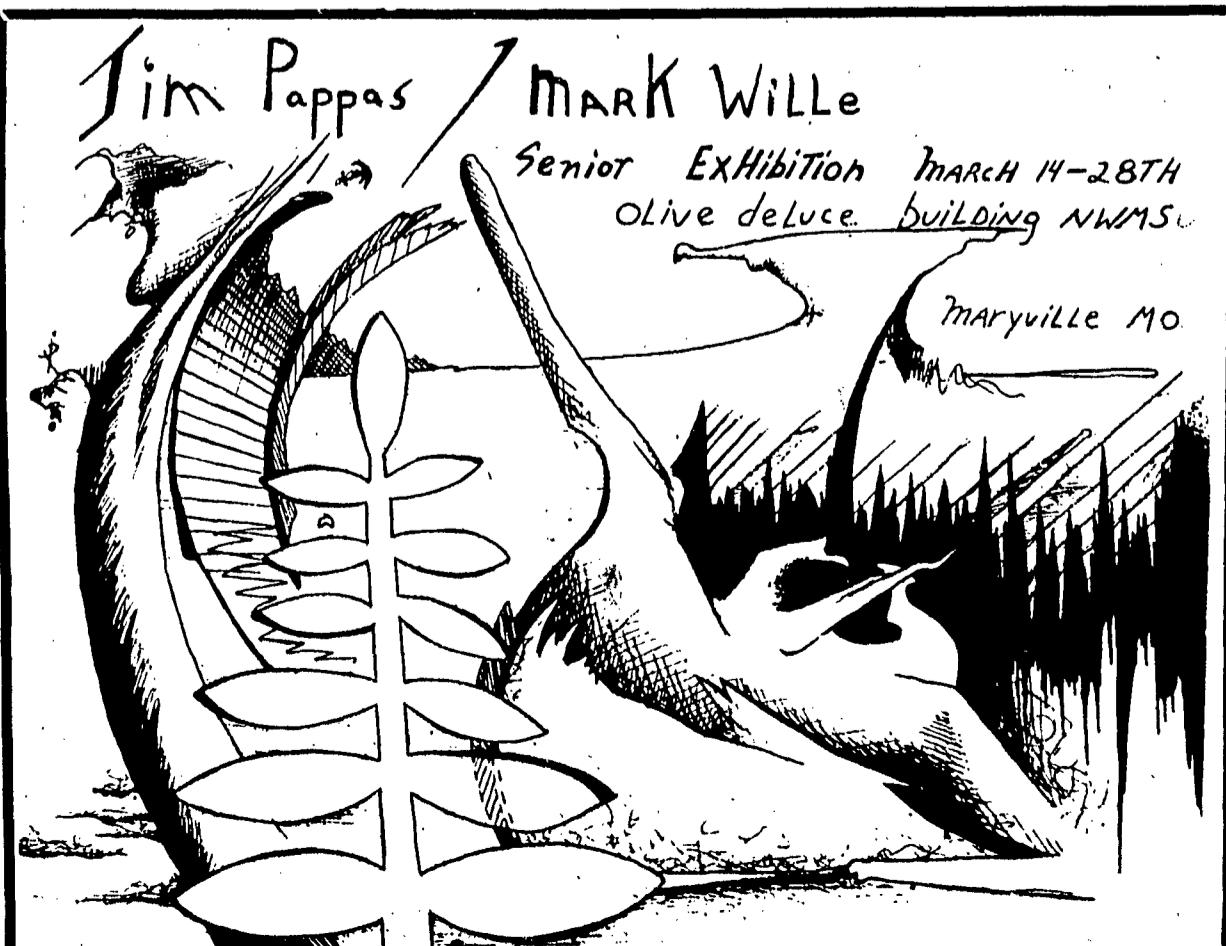
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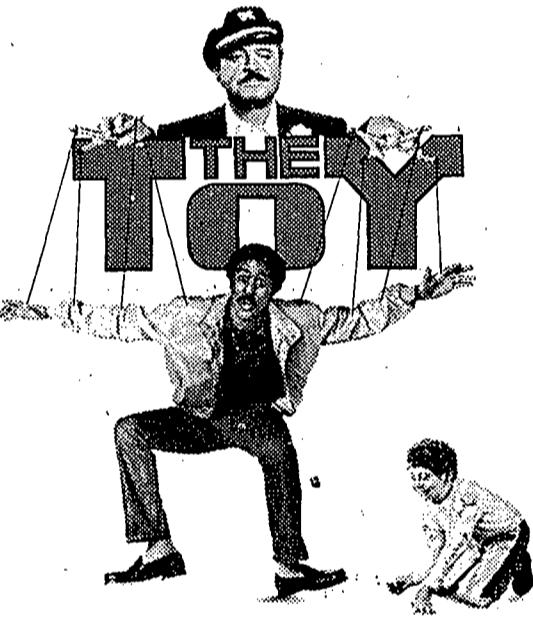
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Entertainment

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Last art film of series

Peek at the Week

Thursday, March 17 Sigma Delta Chi members will have a meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Communications Barn.

..... The film "Religion in Indonesia" at 7 p.m. in the Library Auditorium.

..... A dance concert, presented by the NWMSU Dance Ensemble, at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

..... Elliot Passman, Foreign Exchange Trader, will speak at 6:30 p.m. in the Governor's Room of the Student Union. Sponsored by AMA.

Saturday and Sunday, Hudson Hall Rummage Sale. March 19 and 20

Monday, Tuesday and Campus Christian Rally, featuring guest speaker Dr. Jimmy Albright at 7:00 p.m. in the Governor's Room of the Student Union.

Tuesday, March 22 The film "Closely Watched Trains" at 7 p.m. in the Library Auditorium.

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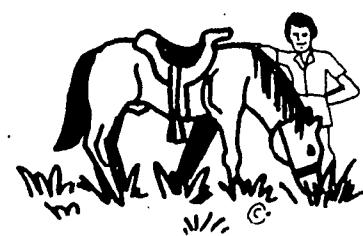
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'Closely Watched Trains'

"Closely Watched Trains," a Czechoslovakian film, will be shown Tues., March 22, in the Library Auditorium. The film, directed by Jiri Menzel, will be the final movie of the International Film Series for the 1982-83 season.

Dr. Charles Kovich, sponsor of the film series, says that "Closely Watched Trains" is a great study about the way people react to repression.

"The film centers on a bumbling railroad switchman in a remote part of Czechoslovakia," Kovich said. "Menzel does a good job of showing how people react to repression and has a great ability to handle characters who don't seem to be heroic, but in the end come out as heroes. Menzel's characters are not heroic in the usual sense that we know."

"Closely Watched Trains" won the academy award for best foreign film in 1966. It came with a great

wave of European films that impressed movie goers in the '60s.

"Czechoslovakia was blossoming at this time, culturally," Kovich said. "This was before the Soviets clamped down on artistic expression."

"The movie combines elements of tragedy and comedy. The movie has a nice idea, in that it contrasts the repressive machine society with the human story. It shows the switchman fighting against mechanical oppression to retain his human dignity."

"The movie had a great impact in the U.S. because it came here when we were wondering about (the oppression of a mechanized world) at the same time," Kovich said. "Menzel shows how people's lives contain a mixture of tragedy and comedy."

"I would recommend everyone to see 'Closely Watched Trains'; it really is a fine film."

Drinking on St. Pat's

For St. Patrick's Day, we at the paper thought we would put some recipes for authentic Irish mixed drinks in the paper. For our source we went to Virginia Creed's book, "All about Ireland." From her we found, however, that a true Irishman would never be caught with a mixed drink. "Drinking is a serious diversion in Ireland. Consequently, the Irish do not drink mixed drinks." Irish whiskey, which is stronger than scotch, should be taken with water, not soda.

In remote parts of Ireland people drink Poteen, a powerful beverage.

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An Irish Chaste

made from potatoes. Creed warns drinkers to be careful if ever offered Poteen: "Not everyone can drink it with impunity."

The common table drink in Ireland is Guinness or Beamish stout. It is darker and stronger than American beer and is usually drunk warm. The Irish are fond of their stout and the slogan: "Guinness is good for you" is often heard. Guinness is available in Maryville. Otherwise, many establishments in Maryville will be celebrating with domestic beer, which isn't bad either.

Billboard's Top Ten

Pop hits

1. "Billie Jean" by Michael Jackson
2. "Shame on the Moon" by Bob Seger
3. "Do You Really Want to Hurt Me?" by Culture Club
4. "Hungry Like the Wolf" by Duran Duran
5. "Back on the Chain Gang" by The Pretenders
6. "You Are" by Lionel Richie
7. "You Can't Hurry Love" by Phil Collins
8. "Separate Ways" by Journey
9. "One on One" by Hall and Oates
10. "Mr. Roboto" by Styx

Country hits

1. "I Wouldn't Change You If I Could" by Ricky Skaggs
2. "Swingin'" by John Anderson
3. "Shine On" by George Jones
4. "When I'm Away From You" by The Bellamy Brothers
5. "We've Got Tonight" by Kenny Rodgers and Sheena Easton
6. "I Loved You, Girl" by Earl Thomas Conley
7. "The Rose" by Conway Twitty
8. "Reasons to Quit" by Merle Haggard and Willie Nelson
9. "Hanging Around" by The Whites
10. "Dixieland Delight" by Alabama

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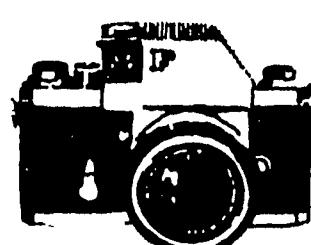
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Sports

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Bearcats fall to Central, success dots season

By Dwayne McClellan

Despite being blown out by Central Missouri State, 86-67, in the opening round of the post-season MIAA tournament March 7, the 1982-83 Bearcat basketball season was considered a success as the 1982-83 Bearcats have surprised a lot of people.

The 'Cats finished the season at 17-11 and in third place in the MIAA with a 7-5 conference slate.

Against Central, poor field goal shooting denied the Bearcats their first win in the Mules' Multipurpose Building. The 'Cats were an ice cold 7-29 from the floor in the first half and an equally poor 21-70 from the floor on the night.

Northwest held the lead only once during the entire game. That lead came at the 15:02 mark when Dave Honz tipped in a missed free throw by Major Craig, giving the 'Cats a brief 9-8 lead.

Then, in what seems to be the norm at Warrensburg, the Mules reached back and went on a tear, scoring nine straight points to go up 17-9 with 12:05 left in the first half. Central built that lead up to 17, 46-29, at the half and were never headed after that.

Coleman was the only Bearcat in double figures with 19 points on 7-20 from the field and 5-5 from the charity stripe. Scott MacDonald, Rick Owens and Craig each had eight points for the 'Cats. MacDonald and Todd Gordon led the team in rebounds with eight apiece.

In '82-83, the 'Cats mixed youth with veterans, and the results betrayed the oddsmakers.

"I don't think people realize that there has been only one team in the last 42 years to have more wins than this year's team," Sinn said. "And that was last year's team."

Sinn had one talented person to build his team around. That player was Coleman, who was returning from the 1981-82 team and averaged 13.2 points a game.

"Vic's game has given us a talented player with somewhat of a total game," Sinn said. "His consistency and leadership has shown up in every game during the season."

Coleman was the Bearcats' offense many times during the season. The junior from Danville, VA., led the team in scoring (19.1), rebounding (6.3 per game), field goal percentage (.545), assists (116) and steals (37)

and he did it earlier than any other Bearcat except David Alvey. Coleman needs 500 points to catch Alvey and needs to average 17.9 points a game throughout a 28-game season.

The Bearcats opened the season with an exhibition game against the Turkish National team, November 13 in Lamkin. Bearcat fans got a glimpse of what was to come as the 'Cats took a close 73-69 win.

"We showed we need a lot of polish

and we showed a lot of heart," Sinn said. "Early in the year we were not a good team," Sinn said. "When we started to play at home we started to gain some confidence and performed better," Sinn said.

How right he was. After doing their share of road-tripping, the 'Cats started off the 1983 part of the schedule with six straight wins before falling to Northeast Missouri State, 59-58, at Kirksville.

"We turned the ball over three times after we got the lead because of their guard pressure," Sinn said.

The Bearcats might have done a lot better if they could have scheduled all their MIAA games at home. At home, the 'Cats were 13-1, while on the road their mark was 4-9.

After being upset by Northeast and dropping away games to Central and

Southeast, the 'Cats were out of the MIAA race. But when Central Missouri came to town, riding atop the league, the Bearcats dropped the Mules back into second place and put Southeast back on top.

Dave Honz played like a madman. His teammates played like their backs were against the wall and the home crowd played an equal role as the 'Cats upset the Mules 60-55.

"We got a little tired in the second half, but we made up our minds that we would play hard for 40 minutes and we did just that," Sinn said. "It was one of our biggest wins of the year."

Southeast didn't return the favor to the 'Cats when they came to Lamkin Gymnasium on February 23. They literally blew the 'Cats away, 92-59. The Indians

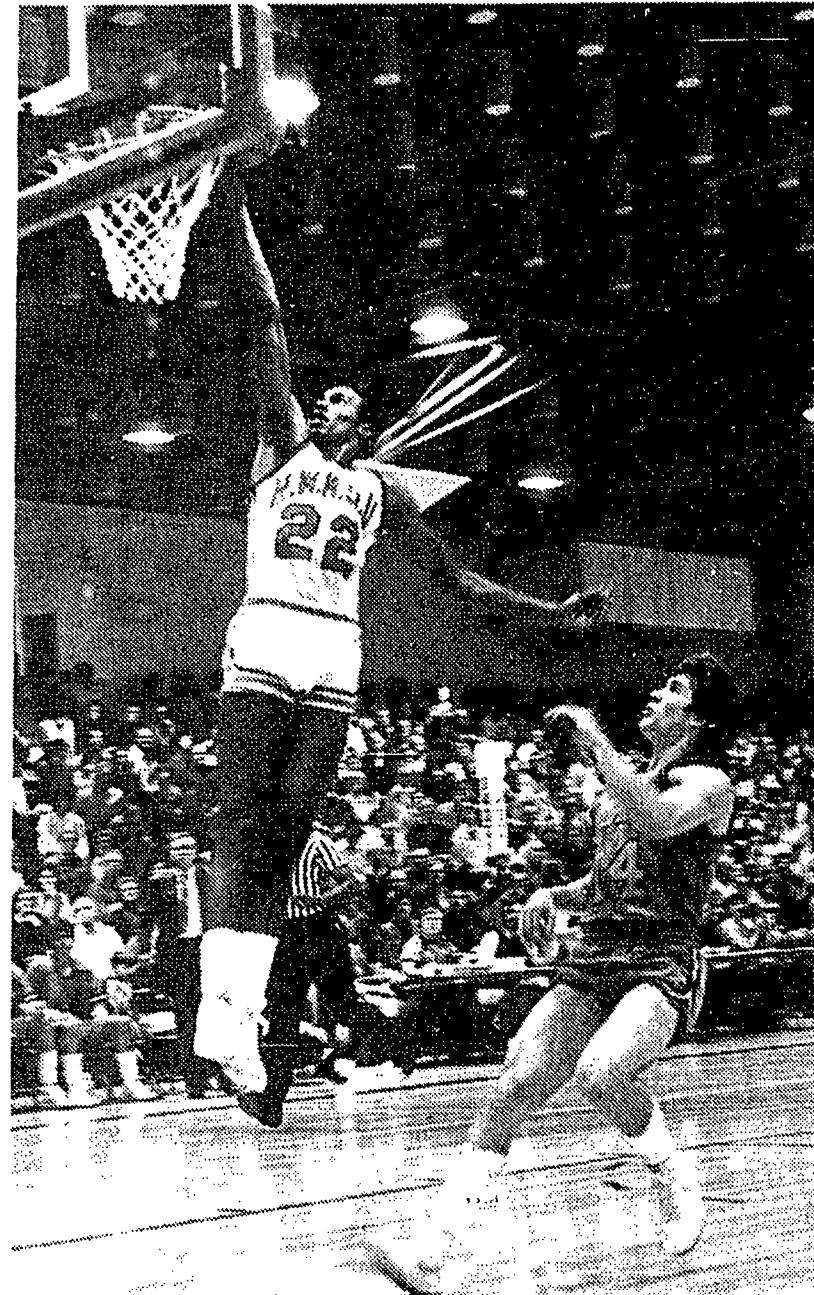
went on to win the MIAA for the straight year.

The 'Cats were able to bounce back and defeat Lincoln 76-65 in the regular season finale in Lamkin. The game was the last home game for Bearcat seniors Dave Kolar, Scott MacDonald and Ricky Owens.

"The season could have gone better," Coleman said. "The opportunities wouldn't come through at the right time. I think that I had a good year and I'm looking forward to next year."

Togetherness seemed to help the 'Cats in posting their 17 wins.

"There are a lot of players that seem to be fairly equal," Sinn said. "This is perhaps a strength."



Victor Coleman goes up for an easy two points against Missouri-Rolla on his way to being named first-team all-conference. Coleman, a junior, is closing in on the all-time scoring mark and will have a chance to reach it in his senior season. (Missourian photo/Larry Franzen)

Tennis starts right

By Dwayne McClellan

The Northwest Missouri State men's tennis team opened the 1983 season on the right foot as they took three out of four matches over spring break and recorded a season-opening win over Creighton University March 5.

Over the break, the 'Cats topped Baker University (8-1), Drury (7-2) and Southwest Missouri (5-4) before losing to NAIA powerhouse Southwest Baptist (9-0). Earlier the 'Cats had opened their net season with an 8-1 win over the Creighton Blue Jays.

The 'Cats upped their season record to 4-1 as they head into a tough stretch next week in Lawrence, KS. The 'Cats journey to Lawrence to battle with Kansas State in a dual match, then take on Oral Roberts and Kansas University on the same road trip. The 'Cats' first home dual will be April 2 against Southwest Baptist.

Top records in the singles competition belong to Jim Gerstner, George Adeyemi and Jim Eaton, all with 4-1 records.

Gerstner and Eaton hold down the number one spot in doubles action with a 4-1 mark. They are being challenged by Stockholm, Sweden, freshman Tomas Olofsson and Mike Ericsson, who are 3-1.

"With his team off to a 4-1 mark, smiles must find their way to head coach John Byrd's face.

"We have three tough matches next week, if we can win a couple, we'll be ok. So far I've been pretty well pleased and I think the kids have been too."

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Bearkittens take second in tournament

By Alan Cross

The Northwest Bearkitten basketball team finished second in the MIAA post-season tournament which was held March 5-6 in Warrensburg. The 'Kittens upset Southeast Missouri State, 66-64, in the opening round, but were defeated by Central Missouri State, 91-69, in the championship game.

The Bearkitten players and head coach Wayne Winstead knew before the game what they had to do! They had to play aggressive and stay aggressive throughout the game. Winstead said that the game's pre-planning worked almost to perfection.

"We had to make a few adjustments throughout the game,"

Winstead said. "But, for the most part, the pre-planning worked the best it has all year."

The Bearkittens jumped out to a 25-20 lead in the first half before the Otahkians from Southeast outscored the 'Kittens 20-10 in the final 6:30 of the first half to take a 40-35 lead at 4:45 left.

It looked like Northwest might not be able to bring themselves up, and fell behind by nine with 15:27 left in the game. But, as fast as the fans could say, "Mary Wiebke," things began to turn around for Northwest.

Wiebke came off the bench and scored three consecutive 15-foot jump shots to slice the lead down to one with 10:40 left.

The 'Kittens then took advantage of a missed free throw shot to tie the game. Marla Sapp made the first part of a one-and-one, but missed the second one. Wiebke, however, scooped the ball up and put it through the hole to knot the score at 60-60 with 4:45 left.

Sapp, Wiebke and Christy Heldenbrand then began to take full control of the game, Sapp and Wiebke making the outside shots and Heldenbrand was the force underneath the basket, getting the crucial defensive rebounds and scoring the game-winning bucket on a nice feed from Wiebke.

Winstead said that all the players played an excellent game and that it

was a really good team effort.

"But Sapp, Wiebke and Heldenbrand just weren't to be denied those last four minutes," he said. "They played with more intensity, more enthusiasm and more desire than I have ever seen them play before."

Sapp led NWMSU in scoring with 15 points, followed by Heldenbrand with 12 points and eight rebounds and Wiebke with 12 points and six rebounds.

Northwest, however, was beaten in the championship game by the number-two rated Div. II team in the nation, Central Missouri State.

Trailing by as many as 11 in the first half, Diane Kloewer began to come alive and led the Northwest

surge. The 'Kittens trailed by only two points, 34-32, at the half.

The 'Kittens kept it close for the first few minutes of the second half before Central pulled away to the 22-point win.

Winstead said, however, that it might have been closer if the Bearkittens did not press in the second half.

"I have no doubt in my mind that we wouldn't have lost by more than 8-10 points if we wouldn't have pressed," Winstead said. "We took the chance of pressing Central and they are quick enough that they got a lot of easy baskets. It was a coaching decision. We weren't playing to stay close, we were playing to win."

Wiebke led the Bearkittens with 18

points and brought her career total to 1,011 points. She is one of only seven Bearkittens who have scored over 1,000 points.

Kloewer scored 17 points and finished her season with 838 points which puts her into the seventh spot on the all-time scoring list.

Despite the loss to Central, Winstead was disappointed when Northwest did not receive a bid to the NCAA Div. II tournament.

"We were hoping that, by beating Southeast in the tournament, we might get a bid," Winstead said. "Central and Southeast got a bid. They are good teams and I won't be surprised if Central takes the national crown."

MIAA indoor finds tracksters down

By Pat Lodes

Both coaches of the Northwest Missouri State men's and women's track and field teams didn't think their teams performed up to their ability at the MIAA indoor conference meet March 5 in Warrensburg.

"We didn't do as well as we could have," Bearkitten coach Pam Medford and Bearcat coach Richard Flanagan said.

The Bearcats, who had won the meet last year, finished third. Southeast finished first with 151 points followed by Northeast with 108½ and Northwest with 102½ points. Central with 82 points, Lincoln at 30½ points and Missouri-Rolla at 16½ rounded out the team scoring.

In the competition, Northwest earned six first-place finishes. Jim Ryan finished first in the mile run and also in the 1000 meter run. With those two first place finishes, Ryan

won the individual high point award with 20 points.

Mark Phillips set a new meet record when he pole vaulted 15'8". Larry Stillman won the 300-yard dash

and the mile relay team as well. The two-mile relay team finished first.

The two-mile relay team consisting of Larry Stillman, Gene Stillman, Willie Law and James

Robinson broke the NWMSU record with a time of 3:19.17.

Shot putter Keith Moore finished fourth and set a school record with a toss of 52'2¾".

"We should have finished second," Flanagan said. "We should have scored points where we didn't."

The outdoor season for the Bearcats will begin March 26 with a dual

meet with Central in Warrensburg.

"We pick up Charlie White and Phil Gates," Flanagan said. "They should help us out by giving us a little more strength and depth."

White and Gates have used up their indoor eligibility but have one more season of outdoor eligibility remaining.

"Last year we were strong in indoor and not outdoor," Flanagan said. "Maybe this year it will be the opposite."

The Bearkitten track team finished last in the five-team meet. Central and Southeast were co-champions with 65 team points. Northeast finished with 48, Lincoln had 33 and Northwest had 11 points.

Out of the 14 events, Northwest scored in only half of them.

Deb Cummings, Northwest's highest finisher in the meet, tied her own record in the high jump with a leap of 5'2". She finished third.

Sherri Reynolds, seeded first in the 1000 meter run, became ill and could not run in the event.

The Bearkittens have a few injuries right now and will have a little time to heal themselves. The Bearkittens' first outdoor meet will be April 2 as they and the Bearcats will host the Northwest Invitational.

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